

## **BIOGRAPHY**

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## MAJOR GENERAL JOHN E. DAVOREN

Major General John E. Davoren assumed duties as the Commanding General, 35<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division in August 2010. As Commanding General of the 35th Infantry Division, he provides leadership to develop and maintain trained, ready, and relevant units in support of state and national missions.

Davoren was commissioned in 1976 from the Reserve Officer Training Corps program at the University of Kansas.

After completing the Infantry Officer Basic Course and Ranger training he served as a Rifle Platoon Leader, Company A, 503rd Infantry at Fort Campbell, Ky. In July 1979, he was assigned to Troop B, 3rd Squadron, 4th Cavalry, 25th Infantry Division at

Schofield Barracks, Hawaii; and executive officer, 1st Aviation Battalion at Fort Riley, Kan.



Since joining the Kansas Army National Guard his assignments have included commander, Company A, 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, 137<sup>th</sup> Infantry; intelligence officer, 69th Brigade; operations officer, 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, 137<sup>th</sup> Infantry; commander, 22<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, 137<sup>th</sup> Infantry; commander, 69th Troop Command, Assistant Adjutant General - Army, Kansas Army National Guard and most recently assistant division commander, 35<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division.

While serving as the assistant division commander, Davoren commanded the Multi-National Task Force-East, KFOR 9 at Camp Bondsteel, Kosovo, from November 2, 2007, to July 10, 2008, during the division's deployment to Kosovo.

Davoren's education includes Infantry Officer Basic and Advance Courses, Command and General Staff College and the U.S. Army War College. His civilian education includes a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Accounting from the University of Kansas, a master's degree in Personnel Management from Central Michigan University and a master's degree in Strategic Studies from the U.S. Army War College.

His military awards include the Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Humanitarian Service Medal, Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal with four oak leaf clusters, Armed Forces Service Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal with oak leaf cluster, Army Overseas Service Ribbon, Army Service Ribbon, Army Reserves Components Overseas Training Ribbon with oak leaf cluster, Nebraska Meritorious Service Medal, Kansas Emergency Service Ribbon, Expert Infantry Badge, Aviation Badge, Parachute Badge, Air Assault Badge and Ranger Tab.

Davoren and his wife, Debra, reside in Lansing, Kan. Their daughter, Jennifer, resides in Houston, Texas, and their son, Kyle, lives in Manhattan, Kan.